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Expressing appreciation for the longstanding support and friendship of the people and Government of the United Kingdom.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. VITTER submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing appreciation for the longstanding support and friendship of the people and Government of the United Kingdom.

Whereas there is a long history of consistent friendship and support between the United States and the United Kingdom;

Whereas these two democracies share a unique relationship and bond that has stood the test of time;

Whereas the shared history, customs, and language of this Anglo-American alliance represent one of the strongest bonds of friendship and mutual benefit in our Nation's history;

Whereas the current Prime Minister, Tony Blair, has shown tremendous support for the United States in this time of armed conflict;

Whereas Prime Minister Blair has been a devout, resolute, and steady leader of his people and government and an important ally to the United States;

Whereas Prime Minister Blair's support, and the support of the British Government and the British people, is of paramount importance to the United States;

Whereas the British House of Commons has voted to support their armed forces and war effort to fight terrorism in Iraq;

Whereas the British military has sent more than 45,000 troops to the conflict in Iraq, including members of the Royal Navy, Air Force and Army; and

Whereas shared principles and ideals have formed the basis of the enduring friendship between these two nations:
Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring), That Congress—*

3 (1) is grateful for the support of the people and
4 Government of the United Kingdom;

5 (2) commends Prime Minister Blair for his
6 steadfast friendship, resolute leadership, and unwav-
7 ering support;

8 (3) commends the bravery and courage of all
9 members of the British military that stand together

1 with United States and coalition forces in the cur-
2 rent engagement in Iraq; and

3 (4) hopes that this unique bond of friendship
4 between the United States and the United Kingdom
5 continues in perpetuity.

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